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John J. Bailen is chief of the Engineering Division for the St. Paul District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The more than 100 employees in the Engineering Division include 14 professional engineering and science disciplines. The division provides study, design and construction engineering services for civil works water resource projects, including navigation, flood control, environmental stewardship, dam safety, recreation and emergency response. This includes engineering and related support to maintain the St. Paul District's 13 locks and dams on the Mississippi River and 16 multipurpose reservoirs located in Minnesota, North Dakota, Wisconsin and Iowa.

John is the current president of the Minneapolis-St. Paul Post for the Society of American Military Engineers. He taught the Corps-wide course "A-E Contracting" for several years. He spent two summers in Saudi Arabia on construction assignments. Prior to coming to St. Paul District, he served at the Corps' Baltimore District from 1972-76, where he worked on wastewater treatment, water supply and acid mine drainage studies. He is a registered professional engineer and a civil engineering graduate of the University of Minnesota.